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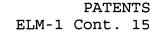
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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97, applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following patents:

U.S. Patents

 Bergmans et al.
 Patent No. 4,835,765
 May 30, 1989

 Mauger et al.
 Patent No. 4,919,749
 April 24, 1990

 Fueki et al.
 Patent No. 5,144,142
 September 1, 1992

 Fueki et al.
 Patent No. 5,262,341
 November 16, 1993

Foreign Patents

JP 127816 May 30, 1991 JP 174715 July 29, 1991 These patents are listed on the accompanying Form PTO-SB/08A (submitted in duplicate), and copies are enclosed herewith.

Applicant reserves the right to establish the patentability of the claimed invention over any of the information provided herewith, and/or to prove that this information may not be prior art, and/or to prove that this information may not be enabling for the teachings purportedly offered.

Two of the references cited in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (i.e., Bergmans et al. U.S. Patent 4,835,765 and Mauger et al. U.S. Patent 4,919,749) were cited in a communication from the U.S. patent office in a related U.S. application. In particular, these references were cited in the December 17, 2004 Office Action in applicant's related U.S. application No. 10/665,757. A copy of that Office Action is not enclosed herewith, as applicant assumes that it is readily available to the Examiner. However, if it is desirable for the Examiner to have the applicant provide the Office Action, applicant will do so on the request of the Examiner.

The other references cited in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (i.e., JP-127816 and JP-174715 (and its corresponding U.S. patents: Fueki et al. U.S. Patents 5,144,142 and 5,262,341)) were cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application. In particular, these references were cited in the October 19, 2004 Office Action in applicant's corresponding Japanese application No. 2003-411658. A copy of that Office Action is also enclosed herewith.

It is respectfully requested that these patents be:
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An early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

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